TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3304 - SB 3623

March 16, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the chief of police or building inspector, or inspector's designee, to issue a warning to a person responsible for property that is found to be in danger of being declared a chronic nuisance. Authorizes such individuals, if the person responsible for the property fails to respond to the warning within the time prescribed, to issue a notice declaring the property to be a chronic nuisance property and post such notice at the property and issue a civil citation of \$50 per day until such nuisance is resolved. Authorizes such individuals to agree upon a course of action to abate the nuisance activity if the person responds as required by the notice and agrees to abate the nuisance activity. Requires the matter to be referred to the city attorney for further action if the person responsible fails to respond to the issued citation, if an agreed course of action does not result in the abatement of the nuisance activity, or if the person continues to violate this part. Authorizes the court to authorize the city to physically secure the premises to prevent continuation of the nuisance.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- This bill could result in increased revenues for incorporated cities through the assessment of the \$50 per day fine.
- This bill could also result in increased expenditures of incorporated cities for securing properties to prevent continuations of nuisances.
- It is estimated that the increased expenditures will be offset by increased fee revenues resulting in a net fiscal impact of not significant.
- Any expenditure to the courts to make determinations regarding properties declared to be chronic nuisance is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director